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Grade: 3 Reading

Theme Three Selection: 1

"Dogzilla"

Read the selection.

Then, answer the following questions.

1. Which of the following happens before Dogzilla gets a bath?

- a) Dogzilla has puppies.
- b) The mice get together to make a plan.
- c) The mice have a picnic.
- d) There was a fire in the city.

2. According to the beginning of the story, what happens after the First Annual Barbecue Cook-Off?

- a) The mice eat so much they want to take a nap.
- b) The mice and Dogzilla get into a fight.
- c) The mice got lost.
- d) A strange and mysterious sound was heard: sniff sniff sniff and the volcano began to tremble.

3. Why does Dogzilla never come back after his bath?

- a) The bath hurt Dogzilla.
- b) He already got a bath.
- c) He did not like getting a bath.
- d) He was hungary.

4. Read this sentence from the selection.

"A gentle wind carried the mouth-watering smell into the distance, right over the top of an ancient crater.

Which word means the opposite of ancient?"

- a) new
- b) antique
- c) exciting
- d) old

5. On page 276, what does the author mean when he says that 'you can't teach an old dog new tricks?'

- a) It is fun to teach tricks to a dog.
- b) It is hard to teach new things to someone who is used to doing it a certain way.
- c) All dogs can learn tricks.
- d) Big dogs like Dogzilla cannot learn tricks because they are large.

6. The genre of this selection is

- a) nonfiction
- b) poem
- c) autobiography
- d) fiction

7. Which word is a synonym for fiery?

- a) hot
- b) fire
- c) mean
- d) cold

8. How would you describe Dogzilla?

- a) A mouse eater
- b) hard-working and shy
- c) Destructive and colossal
- d) angry and tired

9. What event happened last in the story?

- a) The mice had another barbecue.
- b) The mice gave Dogzilla a bath.
- c) Dogzilla had puppies.
- d) Dogzilla came out of the volcano.

Open-ended Response

How does the author make this story so funny and incredible? Give at least two examples from both the words and the pictures.

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Answer Key and Eligible Content

Item Number	Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	b	Sequence	R3.B.1.1
2	d	Sequence	R3.B.1.1
3	c	Inference	R3.A.1.3.1
4	a	Antonyms	R3.A.1.1.2
5	b	Inference	R3.A.1.3.1
6	d	Genre	R3.A.1.6
7	a	Synonyms	R3.A.1.1.2
8	c	Inference	R3.A.1.3.1
9	c	Sequence	R3.B.1.1

Open-ended Rubric

3 Points

Paragraph describes how the author makes the story funny and incredible using at least 2 examples from the story.

2 Points

Paragraph describes how the author makes the story funny and incredible using 1 example from the story.

1 Point

Paragraph describes how the story is funny and incredible without using examples from the selection.

0 Points

Response provides insufficient material for scoring, is inaccurate, or incomplete